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## Table III

PROVISION OF BENEFITS OF LONGSHOREMEN'S AND HARBOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT TO U. S. CONTRACTORS AND EMPLOYEES OF U. S. CONTRACTORS (WORKMEN COMPENSATION)

## Chapter 11 of 42 USCA (1651 - 1654)

## Proposed Legislation

- 1. Chapter 11 of Title 42, U.S.C.A. (42 U.S.C.A. 1651-1654), in general, extends the compensation benefits of the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to certain types of employees in cases of illness or injury arising from their employment overseas.
- 2. The law applies to employees engaged in employment (a) at military bases acquired from foreign governments; (b) on lands used for military purposes by the U. S. in its territories and possessions; and (c) at territories and possessions or outside the continental U. S. when they are engaged in public works contracted by any U. S. department, agency or U. S. corporate instrumentality.
- 3. By virtue of a 1953 amendment, the coverage of aliens is excluded.
- 4. The statute also provides that such benefits will be provided whether the employees are directly hired by a contractor with the U.S. Government or are employees of a sub-contractor or subordinate contractor.

The proposed law would extend the current coverage of employees of U. S. contractors performing work outside the U. S. (under Title 42 U.S.C.A. 1651) by removing the restriction that such coverage applies only to employees who are engaged in public works activity. Under the proposal, the type of work would be immaterial, with the exception of contracted services for the furnishing of materials or supplies.